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STATE TAKES FIRST STEP IN PREPARING FOR SALE OF TOBACCO BONDS Contact Person: Mark A. Kaiser Missouri Office of Administration 573-751-4761

Jefferson City—The Tobacco Settlement Financing Authority at its first meeting on June 11 authorized the issuance of a Request for Qualification for Financial Advisor. The financial advisor will advise and assist the Authority on the issuance of tobacco securitization notes and bonds.

Responses to the Request for Qualification for Financial Advisor are due at 4:00 PM, CDT, Monday, June 17. Copies of the Request for Qualification for Financial Advisor can be viewed on the Office of Administration, Division of Purchasing and Materials Management website: http://www.oa.state.mo.us/purch/vendor.html

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